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## **Sonoita Agents Seized Drugs**

*TUCSON, Ariz.* —Border Patrol agents have seized more than 12-hundred pounds of marijuana, near Fort Huachuca Army Post. Tucson Sector Chief David Aguilar credited the tracking efforts of agents assigned to the Sonoita station, including a service K-9 unit, for the seizure of more than 1,294 pounds of marijuana. The agents and K-9 unit searched an area west of the West Gate, off of Cimarron Road, where they found 26 bundles of drugs, that had been abandoned.

The marijuana, valued at more than 1.03 million dollars, has been turned over to the Drug Enforcement Agency. Last year, Sonoita agents were responsible for seizing 58,685 pounds of marijuana, which represented 19% of the sectors marijuana seizures.

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